



## Dean Sippel

August 12, 2013

Rev. Dean Lester Sippel, 82 of Wildwood, Georgia departed this life Monday, August 12, 2013. He was born in Galesburg, Illinois to the late Lester & Marjorie Sippel. Dean was a graduate of Moody Bible Institute and later worked for Moody Broadcast as a Broadcaster, asst. station manager, station manager, while also producing the program "Changed Lives". Dean concluded his career with WMBW at Chattanooga Tn. After 45 years of service. He served his country with the United States Marine Corp. during the Korean War and was a member of Duncan Park Baptist Church in East Ridge, Tennessee.

He was also preceded in death by his son, Joel Sippel, and his wife, Ruth Sippel.

Survivors include his son, Bruce Sippel of Huntsville, AL, brothers, Larry and David Sippel both of California, grandchildren, Kristy Sippel, Lyndi Anthony, four great grandchildren, and several nieces and nephews.

Funeral services will be held 12:30 PM Friday, August 16, 2013 in the chapel with Reverends Jeff Jackson and Bill Gustafson officiating. Interment will follow in Chattanooga National Cemetery. Family will receive friends from 6:00 PM until 8:00 PM Thursday, and prior to the service Friday at the funeral home. In lieu of flowers donations may be made to Moody Ministries at [moodyministries.net](http://moodyministries.net). Arrangements are by W.L. Wilson & Sons Funeral

Home-Fort Oglethorpe, Georgia.

# Tribute Wall

HD

“ I am sorry to hear about Dean. I talked to him in July and he was missing Ruth so much. We had a great conversation that day and as always throughout the years. He is finally home with Ruth and Joel. Just as he wished. You were blessed with the best parents.

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**Heléne Schultz - Stcokholm, Sweden - former daughter-in-law** - August 30, 2013 at 12:00 AM

DC

“ Dean hired me as an announcer at WMBW right after the station began broadcasting in the early '70s. My career soon led in a different direction, into visuals rather than sound, but Dean and I worked together on many projects over the years. He was a faithful friend. I know he didn't want to hang around here after Ruth left, and now they are reunited in the presence of the Lord, enjoying the fruits of lives well-lived.

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**Dave Jenkins - Kensington, GA - Friend, co-worker** - August 19, 2013 at 12:00 AM

DW

“ Nearly four months to the day, of your mom's home going, I now write this for your dad. I knew he missed her!  
It was a privilege to work under him at WMBW, back in 1983-84. But your folks had befriended David & me even before we were married in '80. Your mom had been my secret sister at DPBC and had written such encouraging words before our marriage. Then, when WMBW was needing a receptionist, she encouraged me to apply for the position. Many memories there, of your folks, people from Chicago, and the many Christians from this area that I met there, when WMBW was up in the old bank building.  
I just remember how you dad loved you boys so much! I'd seen him stop what he was doing so he could go help one of you, or come back w/ proud stories of what you, or grand daughters had accomplished! They felt so blessed the Lord had brought you both to them!  
I hadn't seen them for some time and the Lord seemed to impress on me back in March of this year, to drive out to for a visit. They were so surprised to see me, and greeted me with big hugs. They were both feeling and looking so well that day. We sat and visited for a very long time, recalling old time and folk we'd known. It was a special time, I will cherish always. We prayed together before I left, rejoicing in our Lord's soon return~that blessed Hope!  
The coming months for you will be empty, in that you'll wish you could just make a phone call and ask a question, only they would know, or sit & talk with them; those of us who have laid parents to rest know that feeling. The thought of them now untouched by age or illness and in the presence of their Lord is a blest thought. He will keep & uphold you till we all meet again.  
I know they desired this verse for all of you: "I have no greater joy than to hear that my children are walking in the truth." 3 John 1:4  
My husband David, texted me yesterday, "Sippel family reunion today!" He remembers your dad singing the song, "Finally Home"

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David & Mary Sheetz - Chattanooga, TN - My boss @ WMBW - August 15, 2013  
at 12:00 AM

KB

“ *Your dad changed the course of our lives when he hired me - 'a green and wet behind the ears' student who then continued with Moody for more than 30 years after his taking a chance with me. Fond memories always.....and sincere condolences to you.*

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**Ken & Aleda Senes - Eufaula, AL - Dean was my former boss - August 14, 2013 at 12:00 AM**

NP

“ *Bruce, so sorry to hear about your father. I have memories of so many conversations at church and, of course, his voice coming through my radio. Praying for you today.*

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**Nancy St.Clair Dragoo - Franklin, TN - former church member Duncan Park - August 14, 2013 at 12:00 AM**

TC

“ *Bruce:*

*It is with deep sadness that I learned of your father's passing. Please accept my deepest sympathy.*

*Tim Andreychek*

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**Tim Andreychek - Pittsburgh, PA - Friend and Co-worker - August 14, 2013 at 12:00 AM**

PF

“ *Bruce and family,  
Our hearts are heavy and very sad at the loss of your dad, Dean.  
He was a special friend of ours, as you know. Many years of happy  
memories we made with our families. His constant example of  
Christ living in him, teaching others of Christ, working at the different  
Moody stations sharing the Gospel of Christ over the air ways.  
Taking over Joel's business when he was killed, working diligently at  
that new adventure. Most of all caring for Ruth until her passing.  
They were such a perfect team; it is only fitting that he join her in  
heaven to continue that teamwork. We will be praying for you Bruce  
as you adjust to yet another loss this year. May God surround and  
shower you with his Love.*

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**Phil & Dee Corbin - New Port Richey, FL - Friend - August 14, 2013 at 12:00 AM**

SF

“ *I remember Dean and Ruth Dean was a familiar voice o WMBW  
radio and often spoke at banquets and at Duncan Park, his wife  
Ruth was my Sunday School teacher at Duncan Park Baptist  
church. Their boys went to school with some of my children and  
their granddaughters went to school with two of my youngest  
children. Remembering Dean with fond memories of a good  
Christian man.*

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**Sandra Hughes - Chattanooga , TN - Former church member and friend -  
August 13, 2013 at 12:00 AM**